

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
Tribal Court Room  
7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs MI 49770  
June 22, 2008

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:31 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Shirley Oldman, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson

Guests: Fred Kiogima, Andrew Stich, John Kawegoma

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9:34 a.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt the agenda as amended for June 22, 2008.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of June 8, 2008 as corrected.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

There were no Elder comments.

The Legislative Meeting Procedures Policy draft was worked on and will be carried over for consideration on the next Tribal Council agenda.

The Natural Resources Protection draft and the Rules of Conduct draft proposed legislation will be carried over for consideration on the next Tribal Council agenda.

The Constitutionally Mandated Compensation draft and the Management and Labor Relations draft statutes will be brought back for consideration with the next Tribal Council agenda.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding for Elders Program for Purchase of a Shuttle Vehicle not to exceed \$55,000 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding for Housing Department to construct a Single Family Home in Pellston in cooperation with the Pellston School District not to exceed the amount of \$90,000.00 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding for the Community Golf Program at the Chestnut Valley Golf Club, Harbor Springs in the amount of \$6,000 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -absent, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor McNamara-no, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Law-no

Motion failed.

10:52 a.m. Recess called.

11:06 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorizing an Additional Appropriation of \$7,000 to the 2008 Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok Pow-Wow Committee to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Andrew Stich asked how much money was allocated for the Annual Community meeting including the cost of the trinkets

given out by the programs. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding the housing appropriation resolution adopted and other types of funding projects.

12:00 p.m. Public Comment closed.

12:00 p.m. Secretary Gasco Bentley departs

12:00 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

2:44 p.m. Recessed called.

2:54 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: John Kawegoma spoke about the Tribal Health Clinic procedural changes regarding availability for picking up medication at the pharmacy. John also spoke regarding Tribal Council full disclosure with regard to closed sessions during work sessions. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding casino employee performance evaluations, Indian preference in hiring, removal of lunch hour options for some departments and the casino General Manager's suggested cost cutting.

3:25 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the verbal and written report presented by Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to recommend to Tribal Council funding in the amount of \$975.00 to cover the hotel training room cost for the Land and Reservation Committee. Funding to come from the Tribal Council budget.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank not to fund the Native American Documentary project from Warren Petoskey and Audrey Geyer.

Vote: 3- Yes, 3- No (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Mulholland, Councilor McNamara, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept the Treasurer's verbal report.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Legislative Services Attorney written and verbal report.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Tribal Council McNamara's verbal report.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima for Tribal Council attendance at the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) Summer Meeting in August 2008 in Oneida Wisconsin and the Native American Finance Conference in October of 2008 in Ledyard, Connecticut.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn. 5:25 p.m.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected.

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Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date